language may be authorised with the consent of the President of India by the Governor of the State for the purposes of judgement etc. made by the High Court of that State. So far the Governors of four States namely, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh have authorised the use of Hindi in addition to the English language in the proceedings as well as the judgements, decrees etc. of the High Courts in their States.

The information about the number of judgements delivered in Hindi is not readily available with the Government.

**Backward class judges fit High Court**

3742. SHRI TINDIVANAM G. VENKATRAMAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of Criminal Appeals and Revisions which arc ten year and five year old pending in the High Courts of Madras, Kerala, Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka;

(b) what is the main reason behind the long pendency of criminal appeals and revisions in High Courts in general; and

(c) whether Government are aware of the fact that the provision to dispose off criminal cases two months is a dead letter in the Criminal Procedure Code which is not followed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) The available information as on 30.6.92 is as follows:

| | Criminal Appeals | | Criminal Revisions | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Over 5 Yrs. | Over 10 yrs. | Over 5 yrs. | Over 10 yrs. |
| Andhra Pradesh | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Karnataka (As on 30.6.91) | 20 | Nil | 3 | Nil |
| Kerala | 2 | Nil | 2 | Nil |
| Madras | 1483 | 8 | 542 | 1 |

(b) The pendency of cases is due to several complex factors including institution of more cases in the High ■Courts.

(c) There is no such provision in the Criminal Procedure Code to dispose off the Criminal cases within two months of filing.

**Appointment of Judges in the Supreme Court and High Courts**

3743. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number and names of Judges/ Chief Justices appointed or transferred from one High Court to another so far during 1992 and by when the remaining vacancies in the High Courts and Supreme Court are likely to be filled up;

(b) the reasons for which these Judges